Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 21 May 2021 until 23:59 on Saturday 22 May 2021

Forecast Issued on Thursday 20 May 2021 at 12:06 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for windy conditions on Friday but with some uncertainties in the detail of cloud cover. The timing of rain and hill snow arriving on Sunday holds lower confidence.

Headline for Friday 21 May 2021: Early rain clearing to bright, perhaps sunny conditions. Windy.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 21 May 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
FOG		FOG					
Fog	Drizzle	Fog	Light rain	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
60%	60%	40%	40%	20%	20%	20%	10%

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Weather: Northeasterly winds will bring low cloud and spells of rain in to The Trossachs and Loch Lomond through morning before drier conditions across Argyll and Lochaber spread eastwards. Largely cloudy weather through the rest of the day with the odd passing shower and sunny interval between.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20% across the east initially and 40% across the Nevis range otherwise generally 70%.

Visibility: Cloud will be extensive above around 500m across Loch Lomond through morning before gradually lifting and breaking. Areas of cloud will be persistent above 600-800m across the Nevis range throughout. Otherwise, cloud more occasional above 800m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	40/52 NE	42/55 NE	42/56 NE	41/56 NE	40/56 NE	38/53 NE	35/49 NE	28/39 NE	22/30 N
900	29/41 NE	30/42 NE	29/42 NE	30/43 NE	30/44 NE	28/41 NE	25/37 NE	21/31 N	16/25 N
600	34/45 NE	32/44 NE	32/44 NE	33/46 NE	34/48 NE	30/42 NE	26/38 NE	21/30 NE	15/23 NE
300	18/30 NE	21/32 NE	22/33 NE	23/37 NE	24/39 NE	26/41 NE	21/33 N	14/23 N	9/17 N
Glen	13/28 NE	16/32 NE	18/34 NE	21/40 NE	20/38 NE	18/35 NE	13/27 NE	9/19 N	6/15 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-1/-10	-1/-10	-1/-10	-0/-9	-1/-10	-2/-11	-3/-13	-4/-13	-5/-13
900	2/-5	2/-5	2/-5	2/-4	2/-5	1/-6	-0/-7	-1/-8	-2/-8
600	4/-3	4/-3	4/-2	4/-2	4/-3	3/-4	2/-5	1/-5	0/-5
300	6/2	6/2	7/2	7/2	7/2	6/1	5/-0	4/-0	3/-0
Glen	9/6	8/5	9/5	10/6	10/6	9/5	8/4	6/4	5/3
Freezing Level*	1300m	1200m	1200m	1200m	1100m	900m	700m	700m	500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note summit temperatures below freezing with widely gale force winds above munro level.

Forecast for Saturday 22 May 2021
Weather: A much brighter and less windy day compared to Friday but cold conditions will remain in charge. Northerly winds will bring a few passing showers by afternoon, these wintry above 600-800m. Strong sunshine in between showers. Dry and increasingly clear through evening.

Maximum wind: Northwest 15-25mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 90%.

Visibility: Cloud will be generally above summits away from showers when fog will shroud slopes below around 700m, these these generally few and far between.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 4-6 rising 8-10 Celsius.
At 800m: Around freezing.
Freezing level: 600-800m.

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